

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 COLOMB 01346 151217Z

60

ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EB-07 /018 W
----- 078300

R 151107Z APR 76
FM AMEMBASSY COLOMBO
TO USDOC WASHDC
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 4627

UNCLAS COLOMBO 1346

E.O. 11652:N/A
TAGS: BBSR, CE
SUBJECT: WTDR/FTI FOLLOW-UP: K.V.G. DE SILVA AND SONS

REF: USDOC 05281

1. SRI LANKA 2. CNTRY CODE: 542 3. SER NO:N/A

4. K.V.G. DE SILVA AND SONS
4A.CODE: -. 5B. CODE: -. 4C. CODE: -.

5. 86 D.S. SENANAYAKE VEEDIYA

6.KANDY, SRI LANKA

7. ESTABL: 1898 8. EMPL: 19 9. SIZE : (20-X) MEDIUM

10. REPUTATION (22-/) GOOD

11. -

12. RPT. DATE 04/76

13A. 27310 RET. AGT. DIST. IMP. OF BOOKS
13B. EXP. OF HANDICRAFTS

14. CONTACT: K.V.G. DE SILVA, TITLE: MANAGING DIRECTOR

15. CABLE: SILCO 16. TELEX/N/A

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 COLOMB 01346 151217Z

17. TEL: 08 3254 AND 26831

18. FINANCIAL REFS: BANK OF CEYLON, KANDY

19. TRADE REFS: N/A

20. FOREIGN FIRMS REPRESENTED: AGENCY REPS OF (1) THE HAMLYN PUBLISHING GROUP, FELTHAM, MIDDLESEX, ENGLAND FOR BOOKS, ACQUIRED 1960; (2) OCTOPUS BOOKS LTD., 59 GROSVENOR STREET, LONDON W1X 9 DA FOR BOOKS, ACQUIRED 1974.

21. THIS OLD ESTABLISHED FIRM IS LOCATED ALONG ONE OF THE MAIN ROADS IN THE HEARD OF KANDY, WHICH TOWN IS ABOUT 72 MILES NORTH-DDST OF COLOMBO. ITS BRANCH IN COLOMBO IS LOCATED IN A RENTED OFFICE, AMONG OTHERS, IN A SIX STORIED BUILDING SITUATED ALONG A VERY BUSY MAIN ROAD IN THE HEARD OF FORT, THE CHIEF BUSINESS AND SHOPPING CENTER OF COLOMBO. THE MAIN BUSINESS OF THE FIRM AND ITS BRANCH WHICH ENJOY A GOOD REPUTATION, IS TO SELL BOOKS WHICH ARE IMPORTED AS WELL AS PUBLISHED LOCALLY. BOTH STORES DISPLAY A WIDE VARIETY OF BOOKS. FIRM HAS RECENTLY ENTERED THAT EXPORT TRADE IN HANDICRAFTS. THE PARTNERS, MR. AND MRS. DE SILVA, ARE WELL KNOWN IN BUSINESS CIRCLES AND, ACCORDING TO BANKING SOURCES, NOT ONLY MAINTAIN GOOD ACCOUNTS IN THEIRS AS WELL AS THE FIRM'S NAMES, BUT ALSO HAVE HAD SATISFACTORY DEALINGS. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS SUBJECT FIRM AS A TRADE CONTACT FOR INTERESTED U.S.FIRMS.

22.PREPARED BY: S.PATHMANATHAN, APPROVED BY:
J.M. HAWLEY III,AT U.S. EMBASSY, COLOMBO, SRI LANKA.
VAN HOLLEN

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 15 APR 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976COLOMB01346
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760143-1026
From: COLOMBO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760459/aaaabxsu.tel
Line Count: 94
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: oatisao
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 30 JUN 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <30 JUN 2004 by SilvaL0>; APPROVED <08 SEP 2004 by oatisao>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: WTD/FTI FOLLOW-UP: K.V.G. DE SILVA AND SONS
TAGS: BBSR, CE
To: COM
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006